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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Staff Meeting Minutes of 12 November 1980

Mr. Carlucci chaired the meeting.

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Mr. Carlucci mentioned the Washington Post and New York Times articles which reported that Laurence Silberman will head the Reagan transition team responsible for CIA. Mr. Carlucci said he had no information to confirm these reports.

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Lehman cited an unidentified press article from last week which reported on Jack Watson's press conference on the transition team. Watson mentioned four actions each agency or department was responsible for:

Action 1: Appointment of a transition coordinator.

Action 2: Preparation of a short briefing outline by 15 November.

Action 3: Provision of space for the Reagan transition team.

Action 4: Provision of a list of executive decisions to be made before 20 January.

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The Agency has already responded to Action 1. Lehman provided an outline of what we should do to respond to Action 2. Mr. Carlucci asked  to have the Administrative Officer/DCI look into the space situation to satisfy Action 3. Mr. Carlucci said that other than the budget issue--which is more legislative--there is no need to do anything to respond to Action 4. Mr. Carlucci has recommended to the Director that other than the covert action, budget, and legislative issues, the Agency should not generate any new papers until we see what the Reagan transition team wants.

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Silver discussed the Heritage Foundation Report on CIA and suggested we try to get a copy (Hetu volunteered to get the report). Mr. Carlucci thought we ought to do a paper for the transition team on the CIA as an organization. Lehman commented that in the past the Executive Secretary has pulled together a book with short papers on each component of the agency and recommended that this be done again by ES. Mr. Carlucci said that before any papers are done we should await the results of the 13 November meeting with Ed Meese. Mr. Carlucci requested background papers from OGC and RMS on the role of the DCI.

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Stein reported that as part of the DoD exercise (see Staff Meeting Minutes of 10 November) CINCEUR has requested all DDO assets in Europe be turned over to his command. [ ]

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Lipton reported that papers on the covert action Reserve Supplemental and the one-time exemption to the hiring freeze are at OMB. OMB has no problem with the covert action proposal; however, they have made a counter-proposal for the freeze exemption. OMB wants the Agency to hire against the 1980 ceiling of [ ] Lipton thinks this is better than a one-time exemption. [ ]

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Hitz commented that Senator Tower is drafting a Defense budget bill and that he (Hitz) will talk to the SSCI Staff to see if Senator Goldwater will agree to try to get Agency needs included in the Tower bill. [ ]

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Hetu noted that a New York Post reporter asked if reports that Dr. Brzezinski and the Director were removing sensitive papers to undisclosed locations were true. Hetu will respond for the Director. [ ]

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Clarke asked Mr. Carlucci to look over a Nicaraguan item [ ]

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Silver discussed General Graham's draft executive order (see Staff Meeting Minutes of 5 and 10 November). Silver suggested that we focus at this time on our opposition to the proposals which separate the DDO from the Agency and make NFAC a semi-independent organization and consider the DCI authorities later. Mr. Carlucci asked Clarke, Stein, and other attendees to provide him their thoughts on the draft executive order. Mr. Carlucci asked Clarke and Stein if there was any sentiment in the NFAC and DDO for a separation from the Agency. Both said no. Lehman pointed out that another aspect of the executive order dealt with the transferring of DDS&T to DoD. Kerr commented that in 1976 all of the issues raised by the draft executive order were covered by briefing books prepared by the IC Staff for the Carter transition team. Mr. Carlucci asked [ ] to locate the briefing books and provide them to him. (C)

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